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MAN CONVICTED FOR IDENTITY THEFT

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that TYRAN DONALDSON, 28, Chicago, Illinois, was sentenced to 18 months imprisonment today by U.S. District Judge John Daniel Tinder following his guilty plea to Identity Theft. This case was the result of a investigation by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service.

Donaldson was indicted for four counts of identity theft for using other people's identities to purchase luxury cars, including Mercedes, BMWs and a Lincoln Navigator.

Donaldson used stolen identification information to apply for state identity cards in Indiana and Georgia, then used those cards to acquire credit at car dealers for car purchases. All four cars

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were recovered, but substantial losses were incurred as a result of depreciation to the cars.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Winfield D. Ong, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Tinder also imposed 3 years supervised release following DONALDSON's release from imprisonment. During the period of supervised release, DONALDSON must undergo drug testing. DONALDSON was ordered to make restitution in the amount of \$81,534.

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